



2018

Ed's Comments

I think I've managed to get to the Summer Festival every year since we have lived in the village. Sometimes it has meant rushing back from a holiday or popping in on the way somewhere but the effort has always been worthwhile!

As you will see from this issue of Focal Point that time of year is upon us again and there is lots to see and do and many prizes to be won. Sadly I will not make it this year as it is the day of my twin daughters' 40th birthday and my presence has been summoned to babysit for the celebrations. It feels strange to have my children celebrating birthdays that I can remember very clearly. My 40th was spent in a hospital casualty department as a member of my family had walked into a Christmas tree and damaged his eye – not the kind of celebration my daughters have in mind I suspect!

So please support the Village Summer Festival in my place. Reading all about what will happen it's obvious that lots of people have worked very hard to make it a happy, interesting and successful event. A special word of encouragement (and welcome) if you are new to Winthorpe like Eric and Barbara and Kevin and Anne and anyone else who has recently moved into any of our villages. I shall be with you all in spirit and yes – I shall buy lots of raffle tickets before I go!

Annie Purday

The closing date for the July issue is **Friday 15th June**.

Deliver to Annie and Nick 18, Hargon Lane, Winthorpe
or email nickwynne@virginmedia.com

LUNCH CLUB

The **July** Lunch Club will be at 12.30 p.m. on **Monday 2nd July** at the Community Centre.

The menu will be:



Mixed Fish Salad

OR

Ham and Quiche Salad

With New Potatoes

-x-



Strawberries and Cream



-x- Tea or Coffee

£8 including a glass of wine

Contact Tish Applewhite (643763) if you need to reserve your place and give your choice of menu. Thank you. Tish Applewhite

NB The June Lunch Club is on Monday June 4th as advertised in last month's Focal Point.



FOOD BANK SHOPPING LIST

May/June 2018

**PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ITEMS
CONTAINING ALCOHOL – THANK YOU!**

In Short Supply

Food

- Tinned Fruit – all varieties, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Tomatoes, Packets of Instant Mash

Non-Food Items

- Ladies Deodorant - Shampoo, Shower Gel, Liquid Hand Soap

Please do not donate FRESH food items. Also, please check that your donation is well inside its use-by-date. We cannot distribute out of date food.

Thank you for all your generous contributions!

Always needed

Food

- Tinned Custard
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Vegetables – NOT sweetcorn
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Jars of Pasta Sauce
- Chocolate – bars/sweets
- Cereal Bars
- Cereal
- Biscuits
- Long Life Juice – NOT fresh please
- Sugar
- Tinned/Packet Soup – meat
- Jam
- Chocolate Biscuit Bars: e.g. Kit Kat; Penguin; Rocky etc.
- Tinned/Packet Vegetable Soup

- Tinned Meat – hot: e.g. mince; stewing steak
- Tinned Meat – cold: e.g. Spam; ham – NOT corned beef please

Additional Items

- Deodorant
- Feminine Hygiene
- Men's Toiletries
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Shampoo
- Shower Gel
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Laundry liquid tabs/tablets
- Dog/Cat food
- Strong Carrier bags

Items definitely **NOT** needed at present, as we have a plentiful supply:

- Baked Beans
- Coffee

The Foodbank Collection Point is in the porch of Winthorpe Village Hall which is open when Max Neale's Art Classes are being held. You can also donate items in Winthorpe Church on Sundays when there are services and on Thursdays during 'Open Church.'

Please continue to support the Foodbank and help make a difference!



WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL 2018

SATURDAY JUNE 30th 1PM - 5PM

WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Spitfire and Hurricane Fly Past at approx. 1pm

Art Exhibition - Classic Cars -- Photography Competition

Newark Scout Band - Newark Firecrackers Cheerleaders

Owlin Mad -Line Dancing and Zumba display - Giant Inflatable Slide

Live Music - Children's Races - Tug-o-War Competition

'Have-a-Go' Potter - Tombola - Stalls

Family Games - Raffle - Scarecrow Competition Results

BBQ - Cakes -Teas - Ice Cream - Bar

Monies raised will go to Home-Start, Newark.

A family support charity.

Disabled parking only at the Community Centre.

Please follow signs for alternative parking





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Winthorpe Festival Scarecrow Competition 2018



The Festival will include the Scarecrow Competition again this year. There isn't a theme so scarecrows can be who or whatever you want them to be.



Entry will be open to children and their families at a cost of £2, also group entries. The forms plus remittance must be in by Friday 22nd June to one of the two addresses below.

Application forms will be available at Winthorpe Primary School and from the beginning of June, they will also be available at The Lord Nelson, the bus shelter at the pub, from Sue Masheder at 7 Gainsborough Road and Tish Applewhite at 76 Gainsborough Road.



Villagers will need to display their scarecrow in their front garden, the week beginning 25th June. Those living outside the village can display them at school.

Judging will then take place, with the winner announced at the Summer Festival on Saturday 30th June, and prizes awarded!



PHOTOGRAPHIC CHALLENGE!

Just to remind you our challenge this year is **HAPPY DAYS** and once again it is up to you to make of it what you will! The challenge will be decided by public vote at this year's Winthorpe Festival on Saturday June 30th and a small prize will be awarded to the picture that gets the most votes.



Entry will cost 50p per picture, all proceeds going to the Festival's charity fund. Entries will be accepted up till 12.00pm on the morning of the Festival at the Community Centre or preferably in advance to

Les Murray at 1, Woodlands.

Remember: entries to be in the form of prints no bigger than A4 on any type of paper, mounted or unmounted, colour or black & white. Pictures will be displayed during the afternoon of the Festival when visitors will be invited to vote for their favourite. Les Murray





Winthorpe & District W.I.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the FAMILY DOG SHOW will not be taking place at the Winthorpe Summer Festival on the 30th June.

Our **June** meeting is the RNLI. Discover how lives are saved by ordinary people. In **July** we have our strawberry and wine evening along with a visit from Dennett's delicious ice creams.

There is then a break in **August**.

In **September** we learn about Medical Detection Dogs and what they can do. Also at the September meeting we will have Charity Merchandise for sale. Our charity this year is the local branch of MacMillan Nurses. **October** is The Story of the Poppy. **November** sees members creating a gift for the festive season. The **December** meeting is Christmas Festivities – a time to enjoy food and wine with our friends. We look forward to welcoming visitors to our regular monthly meetings.

Everyone is welcome at the Thursday coffee mornings. For anyone new to the village, the Post Office is also in attendance between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon. Both are held at the Community Centre.

Do please continue to use the POST OFFICE. *Virginia Seager* (President)

WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL SATURDAY 30th JUNE



ART EXHIBITION



Again this year there will be an Art Exhibition in the Community Centre on the afternoon of the Festival – proceeds going to the Festival's chosen charities. Original paintings, prints and cards/notelets will be very welcome for the Art Exhibition with a 10% sale value to the funds.

If you would like to display something, **whether for sale or not**, please let me know and either bring your items to one of Max's classes **before 29th June** or bring them to the Community Centre on the morning of Saturday, 30th June. Tell me if you need help with transport.

Peter Foden, 704241

June Reflection 2018 for Winthorpe

Dear Friends,

Exciting times have come to Winthorpe. On a Thursday in May we had our very own "Royal Wedding" in church. However, we hadn't read the banns of marriage and there were certainly reasons in law why the happy couple couldn't get married because they were children.

Fortunately no one objected and we had a great time with 54 pupils from Winthorpe School. The "General Public" waved flags and cheered as the Royal Family arrived.

Everyone had parts, Christine Hasman played "Here comes the bride" as the bride and her attendants walked down the aisle. The bride and groom made promises, gave and received a ring and they walked out to the bridal march.

Then we all celebrated with lemonade, cake and confetti.

Well done to everyone involved, what a wonderful, imaginative and creative school we have.

And of course, we mustn't forget the real royal couple and our congratulations go to Prince Harry and Megan, along with our prayers.



Now here's a date for your diary. On Tuesday June 19th, we are celebrating the 130th anniversary of Winthorpe Church and everyone is invited. The Bishop of Sherwood, Bishop Tony Porter is our guest who will preach and take the service. However, we really need you to be there to make this a great occasion. The service is at 7pm, so come early for a good seat. There will be refreshments afterwards and time to enjoy each other's company.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Watch out as well for other events in the East Trent Group in this lovely month. On June 16th, there's a strawberry tea at Besthorpe church and

on June 17th (Father's Day) there's Hymns and Pimms at Ivy Cottage, South Clifton. Everyone will be very welcome and we can enjoy our beautiful part of the world.

God bless you all Revd Mandy

JUNIOR TENNIS COACHING RESUMES AFTER HALF TERM FOR A 6 WEEK COURSE

(These are OUTDOOR sessions aimed at primary school children)

WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE

STARTING TUESDAY JUNE 5TH 4-5pm

£4 PER SESSION - all equipment provided

(Free 1st session for new participants)

Suitable PE kit required

LTA LEVEL 3 COACH JON PENNEY

NEW PARTICIPANTS ALWAYS WELCOME

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

Come along and have a go – you may be the next Andy Murray,

Kyle Edmund or Jo Konta!

FURTHER INFORMATION FROM NINA WARD

01636 678419 or ninajward@live.co.uk

Or Jon Penney on 07941 449351



COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS FOR JUNE 2018

Sunday June 3rd Tetford 7 miles

Sunday June 17th South Wheatley 7.5 miles

Wednesday June 13th Southwell 4.5 miles

NEW WALKERS ALWAYS WELCOME



If you would like to join us on any of these walks please contact NINA WARD on ninajward@live.co.uk or 01636 678419 for more information and specific walk details.

Come along and join this friendly group!

We provide an excellent variety of walks in

Nottinghamshire and adjacent counties. Most Sunday walks are between 6 and 8 miles (some may have a shorter option). Wednesday walks are usually about four miles with an optional pub lunch.

Walkers should provide snacks, drinks and packed lunches if appropriate.

Suitable footwear and waterproofs are necessary.

Nina Ward



Head Teacher: Mr Rob Cook

Thoroughfare Lane, Winthorpe, Newark, Nottinghamshire, NG24 2NN

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May 2018

Royal Wedding Celebrations

The school have been enjoying celebrating the Royal Wedding. Class 1 and 2 went down to All Saints Church to carry out a wedding re-enactment and learn all about what happens at a wedding ceremony. The children were all allocated a role or a member of the Royal Family to pretend to be and came dressed in their finest wedding outfits. The children loved the afternoon and we'd like to thank Rev. Mandy



and everyone at the church for making it so enjoyable and interesting. We also held a Royal Wedding themed cake competition and celebrated by turning our weekly Gold Book Assembly into a celebratory Tea Party.

Test-ing Time

The month of May typically brings the good weather but also brings the end of Key Stage tests for Year 2 and Year 6 children. I'd like to say a big Well Done to the Year 6's who completed their end of Key Stage 2. Mr Albans and Mrs Ellerton were both very impressed by the hard work and determination that they all showed throughout what can feel a gruelling week. We're hopeful that everyone will have done very well because we know how hard they have

all worked throughout the year - they now have to wait until July to find out their results.

Amazing Maize Maze

The Year 1's went to Kelham Hall last week to plant some maize which will quickly grow into a popular tourist destination - the Amazing Maize Maze. The visit ties in with their Science work this term and they will be tracking the height of the maize as it grows. When the



maze has been cut into the maize the children will go back and hopefully manage to complete the maze! Rob Cook (Headteacher)

GIANT SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

How are your sunflowers doing? They have been growing for eight or nine weeks now, by the time Focal Point pops through your letterbox.

Your plants can go outside this month, if you haven't already moved them. They can go directly into the ground if you have space, or large



garden tubs if not – remember that they will probably stop growing for a short time when you re-pot or plant them out, so don't worry if they don't seem to be doing much! Don't forget to keep watering your young plants, especially if we get some more warm and sunny weather.

It's also worth tying the young plants gently but securely to plant stakes or canes to protect them on windy days and keep them growing straight – remember that every centimetre counts if you want to be our winner!

We'd love to see how you're getting on – you can send photos to:

winthorpesunflower@hotmail.co.uk Liz & Charlie Ferreira

THE LORD NELSON

Dear folks,

Yay for the sunshine!

We are delighted to be welcoming everyone into our newly renovated beer garden, and we have some lovely summer events coming up:-



JUNE

Tuesday 5th June - Pub Quiz

Saturday 9th June - Gin Spectacular 7pm in the Bar, plus music from Swing Nouveau from 8pm

Sunday 17th June - Father's Day (*Please book early)

Tuesday 19th June - Live Music and Open Mic Night

Saturday 23rd June - *WinFest*

Winfest is a free event raising money for Survivors Manchester. Hosted by Sam Thompson and Neil Moran, with 14 fabulous bands playing from 12pm all the way through till 11pm.

We will have a cask ale bar where 50p from every pint goes to the charity. A wide range of food will be available throughout the day, including pizza and paella.

Bring a chair or a blanket and enjoy raising some money with us.

If you haven't seen our Specials Board recently, we have some new delicious dishes, alongside our new summer menu.

We hope to welcome you soon!

REACH OFF ROAD CYCLE EVENT

Reach's popular annual off-road cycle event takes place on 3rd June. Entry for this year's event is now open at www.reachoffroad.co.uk. This year we have decreased children's prices to just £3. Adult tickets cost £14 or £20 depending on which route you chose. Please note these are advanced booking prices and there will be a £1 admin charge.



Reach Off Road offers 4 routes - 5, 10, 20 and 37 mile options. The event is well known for its friendly atmosphere and wide array of cakes at the event village and at stops on route. This year we are working with British Cycling to help promote the event. Our fantastic committee of local people are once again helping with event co-ordination and marshalling and Rode Cycles will again be at the start venue providing bike repairs. We are delighted to welcome Saint Gobain Formula Newark and Travel Wright on board as sponsors for this year's event. Registration this year takes place at Southwell Rugby Club. This will offer space for local businesses to have stands. To find out more please contact Sarah at sarah.cobb@reachuk.org or call 01636 819066.



Update from the Patient Participation Group (PPG) at the Collingham Medical Centre (CMC)

The PPG have been supporting the CMC in obtaining your feedback using the Friends and Family Test (FFT). Thank you to all who have participated, the feedback has enabled CMC to make some important changes. The results of the FFT tell us that 84.5% would recommend CMC.

Our recent Did Not Attend poster campaign highlighted a higher than expected DNA rate, more details are available in the CMC Spring Newsletter. There are several ways in which you can cancel your appointment if needs be.

You can ask the CMC to send a text reminder the day before an appointment and reply if you need to cancel.

You can also cancel an appointment using Systmonline via the CMC website, by telephone, in person at the Reception desk or even dropping a note in the post-box.

Again further information will be in the Spring Newsletter which will be available by email via the CMC website, <http://collinghammedicalcentre.co.uk> (in the Further Information section under Newsletters), from the Reception Desk and various shops in the catchment area. Any further feedback would be welcomed by PPG via collinghamppg@gmail.com

WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE 100 CLUB WINNERS OF THE MAY DRAW

P A Brooks. £35.40

V Jackson. £17.70

S Palmer. £5.90



We now have 61 members and are still aiming to reach 100. If you haven't yet got your tickets all you need to do is sign a membership form and Standing Order mandate for £2 a month. These are available from Duncan Richardson. Please contact Duncan on 01636 651605 or email duncrichardson@sky.com.

For further details see the Community Centre web site.

JOIN OUR 100 CLUB TODAY AND YOU COULD BE A WINNER!

WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

On Thursday 17th May 2018, the Parish Council held its Annual Parish meeting followed by the monthly Parish Council meeting in the village hall.



The Council unanimously voted for Lee Cammack to continue as Council Chairman with Bob Allen continuing as Vice – Chairman.

The Chairman thanked the Parish Council, its Clerk and Councillor Dobson for the valuable support given to him this year.

An internal audit has been undertaken of the Council's finances and these have been approved with no adverse comments. The accounts will then be passed to the external auditor for formal approval.

Details of how to obtain copies of the Council's returns will be posted on the village notice boards shortly.

The tarmac path to the new burial plots on Hargon Lane has now been completed and a small post and rail fence will be erected in the near future to enclose the plot.

The Council has completed its application to WREN to obtain funding for new play equipment at the Community Centre and the Council is grateful to the Community Centre and Youth Club who have provided financial support for the project.

The Council approved new tenancy agreements with the Winthorpe Allotment Association and the Tennis Club which will provide greater support for these two organisations within the village.

The Chairman and Councillor Dobson met the Winthorpe Cricket Club Committee who advised that they had obtained further funding to complete works to the pavilion. This is great news for both the club and the village.

Mrs Sally Sillery – Parish Clerk

GARDEN CLUB

In his audio visual presentation Malcolm Walpole chose to focus on ancient Japan. We followed the trail he took many years ago as part of a group and with a knowledgeable guide.

The country had been isolated for centuries from the rest of the world, resulting in many unique facets of life. The people themselves are polite, conservative and organised.

We saw many shrines and temples, Shinto and Buddhist. Many were built entirely of wood and some had symbolism we would recognise e.g. the three wise monkeys which originated in Japan. There was also the image of the sleeping cat which is apparently universally recognised in the country.



One image was especially haunting. A shrine where miniature childlike figures stood in serried ranks. These are placed by parents from all over the country in memory of their dead children, especially those stillborn or died in the womb.

As land is very expensive, adults are normally cremated unless rich enough to buy a plot for burial, vertically.

The production of cultured pearls was followed in some detail as was ritualistic tea drinking.

Gardens featured only briefly with minimalist, precise rock and raked sand or restful variations of green, trees, shrubs, moss - no colour of flowers, the latter being reserved for indoor display.

We have our two outings in June and July and our next season of meetings starts in September. Ian Wilson

WINTHORPE TENNIS CLUB



£40 PER FAMILY
PER YEAR!*

YOU CAN NOT BE
SERIOUS!

Interested in joining the Winthorpe Tennis Club? The club offers unlimited use of the tennis courts all year for all the family for £40. Individuals are £20, Students and Juniors £5. The club will also be offering private coaching sessions at a discounted rate and club tournaments for members only.

CONTACT:
A.LEARY@NTLWORLD.COM

*£5 Separate Key Deposit Applies

CODDINGTON AND WINTHORPE CRICKET CLUB



Coddington & Winthorpe CC is a thriving cricket club in North Nottinghamshire, based at the Winthorpe Cricket Ground - home to cricket since 1887.

Coddington & Winthorpe CC always welcomes new members whether they are senior players, junior players, social members or people interested in being a coach, scorer, umpire, Tea-Maker, groundsman or committee member.

The club is currently a Junior Section working towards developing juniors into Senior Cricket and has the following teams running for 2018:

ECB Allstars—5 to 8 year olds—Saturday morning 19/05 to 07/07

Kwik cricket - 5 to 11 year olds

U11 Hard ball - 9 to 11 year olds

U13 - 10 to 13 year olds

U15 - 13 to 15 year olds

Development XI - 13 to 18 year olds

Training every Friday, all age groups 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm

Come down and join in the fun: all skill levels welcome or contact by email - contact coddingtonandwinthorpecc@gmail.com

Website : <http://coddington.play-cricket.com/>

2017 Highlights

70 + junior members in 2017

1st Club in Newark & Sherwood to run ECB Allstars Cricket

Hosted 2 Kwik Cricket Festivals

Hosted the Newark Primary Schools Kwik Cricket Tournament

U13's won the Newark North Division

8 juniors selected into the Nottinghamshire CCC junior pathway

5 Boys—3 girls

2018 Activities General training every Friday 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm

- BBQ night after training—Friday May 18th- All welcome

- BBQ night after training—Friday June 15th—All Welcome

Allstars Cricket - Saturday 19th May to 7th July—10am to 11 am

Kwik cricket Festivals—7 softball teams from the Newark area

- Sunday May 20th—10am to 12 pm

- Sunday June 17th—10am to 12 pm

Newark Primary Schools Kwik Cricket Tournament to be confirmed

ECB Women's Softball Festivals

- No experience needed - contact the club to be involved
- Sunday June 17th —1pm to 4pm

Glass of prosecco for all players on arrival

Club Open Day and Junior Presentation

- Sunday July 22nd —10am to 2pm
- All Welcome—fun and games from 10am

Craig Pickles (Senior Coach)

2018 Fixtures

U13's				
Newark Colts U13 North Division				
13-May	Sun	12pm	Away	Caythorpe CC
15-May	Tue	6pm	Away	Belvoir CC
22-May	Tue	6pm	Home	Newark R&M CC
04-Jun	Mon	6pm	Away	Burton Joyce CC
16-Jun	Sun	12pm	Home	RNP CC
02-Jul	Sun	12pm	Home	Balderton CC

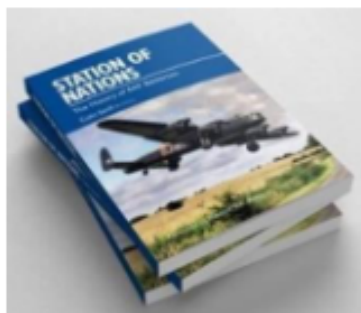
U13's				
Newark Colts U13 North Division				
13-May	Thu	6pm	Home	Newark R&M CC
21-May	Mon	6pm	Away	Farnham CC
05-Jun	Sun	6pm		Cup Week TBC
11-Jun	Mon	6pm	Away	Caythorpe CC
04-Jul	Wed	6pm	Home	Bingham CC
09-Jul	Mon	6pm	Home	Burton Joyce CC

Development XI				
South Notts Development League				
05-May	Sat	2pm	Away	Grantham CC
13-May	Sat	2pm	Away	Keyworth CC
26-May	Sat	2pm	Home	Long Eaton CC
02-Jun	Sat	2pm	Away	Wotts & Arnold CC
09-Jun	Sat	2pm	Home	Wotts Casuals CC
16-Jun	Sat	2pm	Home	Keyworth CC
23-Jun	Sat	2pm	Away	Fleetham CC
03-Jul	Sat	2pm	Home	Wotts & Arnold CC
14-Jul	Sat	2pm	Home	Grantham CC
21-Jul	Sat	2pm	Away	Long Eaton CC
28-Jul	Sat	2pm	Home	Fleetham CC
04-Aug	Sat	2pm	Away	Wotts Casuals CC

U15's - Cadleigh & Winklespe CC & Newark R&M CC Combined				
Newark Colts U15 North Division				
09-May	Thu	1pm	Away	Belvoir CC
13-May	Sun	1pm	Home - TBC	Bingham CC
20-May	Sun	1pm	Away	Burton Joyce CC
21-May	Mon	1pm	Winklespe	Kneighton CC
09-Jun	Sat	1pm	Away	Keyworth CC - Under 15
16-Jun	Sat	1pm	Away	Keyworth CC - Under 14

AIR MUSEUM PUBLICATION: RAF BALDERTON

During World War Two Royal Air Force Balderton was a wartime RAF station which hosted among others No.408 (Goose) Squadron RCAF, the USAAF 437th and 439th Transport Carrier Groups, the Rolls-Royce jet engine trials unit and No.227 Squadron RAF. A new book is now available about the station in Nottinghamshire, which was located close to the Nottinghamshire/Lincs county border.



After several years of detailed research, Colin Savill BA (Hons) has written a new history of RAF Balderton. The book has just been published by the Newark (Notts & Lincs) Air Museum, which is located on part of the former RAF Winthorpe airfield site, itself just 5 miles from the former site of RAF Balderton. The book is entitled *Station of Nations – The History of RAF Balderton* and it is the story of the airfield from its beginnings to its demise as an RAF station. The book (ISBN 978-1-9996353-0-5) is in a softback format; 298 pages (paper weight: 130gsm); and includes over 200 images - black & white and colour photographs, maps, document copies and illustrations and includes a Foreword by former Flight Engineer Maurice 'Bill' Bailey who served at Balderton with No.227 Squadron

Copies of the book are now available to purchase from the Museum Shop and they cost £17.00 each. Anyone wishing to purchase a copy can visit the museum between 10am and 4pm daily and you do not need to pay a museum admission fee if you just wish to shop. Copies are also available by mail order - please check for rates; telephone 01636 707170. Howard Healey

NEWARK AIR MUSEUM FUTURE EVENTS



23 & 24 June, 2018 – Cockpit-Fest & Aeroboot – annual gathering of aircraft cockpits & displays – plus our outdoor Aeroboot / Aerojumble aviation sale

11 & 12 August, 2018 – 1940s Weekend – a follow-up event from

the successful 2017 1940s weekend.

1 & 2 September, 2018 – Shackleton Boys book launch - in association with Grub Street & centred around Shackleton WR977

13 October, 2018 – Indoor Aeroboot / Aerojumble aviation & avionic sale.

BOMBER COUNTY GATEWAY TRUST

On 15th May 2018, the Trustees of the Bomber County Gateway Trust honoured veterans and celebrated 100 years of the RAF at a [Ground Breaking Ceremony](#) held at the build-site, close to Brills Farm in Norton Disney.



This landmark art installation being built on the county border of Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire, is a full-size representation of a Lancaster Bomber, to be called "On Freedom's Wings". With a 31-metre wingspan, the Bomber will be similar in size to the Angel of the North.

We were honoured to welcome Squadron Leader George "Johnny" Johnson MBE & veterans from Bomber Command.

Senior Aircraftman Matthew Jeffrey & Squadron Leader Adrian Wood presented the RAF 100 Baton, currently traversing the length and breadth of the country for 100 days to celebrate 100 years of the RAF.

Following a blessing of the ground - Reverend Dee Freeman of Withamside United Parish, the Veterans were invited to break the ground with a silver spade. School children from all of the local schools scattered wild flower seed across the meadow where this iconic installation will hover 'in flight' on its way to RAF Swinderby, just 3km away.

Afterwards, Veterans were hosted at a traditional English Afternoon tea at Brills Farm, Norton Disney, and were presented with silver salvers and a print of a painting of the Lancaster Bomber by Mr Clive Moles.

The event was reported on BBC and ITV's evening news and images featured across the national press including the Daily Telegraph.

We are seeking corporate sponsorship, technical expertise and donations (www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/bombercountygateway); please get in touch if you would like to be a part of this incredible project.

For further information, please contact:

Oli Husemeyer - PR and Comms & Trustee, oli.husemeyer@gmail.com

Ken Sadler - Build Director & Trustee, bombercountyytrust@gmail.com
www.bombergatewaytrust.co.uk



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News from Langford Lowfields

May 2018

We have had a good few hot days recently,

which has meant our wildlife has settled in to shady areas to keep cool. However, we have had sightings of common crane, swift, grasshopper warbler, 8 avocets on a silt lagoon, singing blackcap, Cetti's warbler, chiffchaff, lesser whitethroat, sedge warbler & whitethroat. There has been some

raucous activity from a black-headed gull colony, avocet, common tern and cuckoo, plus 8 species of butterfly, bee-flies, alder flies, numerous hoverfly species and cowslips and cuckoo-flower in full bloom. There was also a female marsh harrier spotted on the reserve and a hobby hunting over the visitor trails.



Excitingly we have had reported sightings of a turtle dove on the reserve – we used to get these but haven't seen any in quite a while. We are hoping that this means the return of this beautiful bird.

We are now selling bottled water and flapjack from the Beach Hut when the

Beach Hut is open. Please see the volunteer on site to buy some. We also have some bird boxes available – a suggested donation of £10.00 per box – made by one of our long term Langford volunteers, John. Call 01636 893611 if you are interested.

Forthcoming Events!

We are running our second event at Langford in July. This is a Butterflies & Wildflowers Guided Walk on Saturday 7 July 2018 10am-1pm. Our Site Manager, Joe, will be joined by an RSPB enthusiast in this subject and together they will lead you on a walk around the reserve identifying species.

This event can be booked (and payment made) via [Eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk). You should search for the name of the event in the UK. The prices are listed on the site. If you are unable to use Eventbrite, please contact 01636 893611.

There are visitor welcome volunteer roles still available – you don't have to be a bird expert to help out on the reserve, just be interested in the site and have a few hours to spare during the week or on a weekend. Get in touch if you feel you would like to discuss this further.

Angela Roberts 01636 893611.

Visual Impairment



Seeing beyond sight loss

Losing one's eyesight comes as a shock. My Sight, the Nottinghamshire Charity for people with a visual impairment started a social group in Newark last year which meets twice a month offering support, advice, information and social activities. Contact No. 0115 9706806.

Look Ahead, a similar group set up 16 years ago by 4 local people meets in the Baptist Church Meeting Room on the 4th Wed. of the month. I volunteer for Look Ahead and our programme is much the same. Both groups offer the opportunity to meet up with others with visual impairment.

My Sight have recently relocated their offices in Nottingham and have launched a 175 Birthday Appeal, asking members and friends to raise 175 (pounds) each. The Look Ahead group want to support this appeal and we are planning a

***A SUMMER TEA PARTY on TUES 26th
JUNE***

2.30 - 4.30 pm.



We are hoping the weather will be good and we will have the teaparty in the Garden at Appletrees, The Spinney, but if it's wet and cold we will use the Winthorpe Village Hall. Watch out for Posters in June.

If you would like to help on the day or would like information about the groups please phone me on 01636 681299. Barbara Woodcock



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CHURCH NOTICES

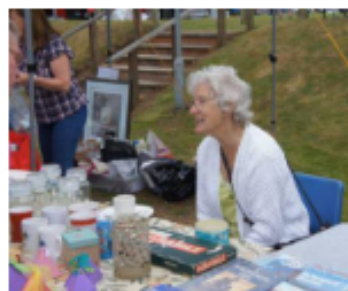
Last month saw some beautiful warm days and how lovely that they fell over a Bank Holiday for once! I hope that that is not the last of 'Summer' though.

We said goodbye to 92 year old Frank Ward from Langford last month with a lovely funeral service in a full church.

The Pilgrimage Walks have been a real success and all so far have had excellent weather for foot travel. There is still one left this month on the 3rd at 2 p.m. from Thorney to Harby. Do go if you have time – a chance to meet new people in the ET Group.

Our main focus this month will be the All Saints celebratory 130 years Communion Service taken by Bishop Tony at 7 p.m. on Tuesday June 19th. Please do come along even if you do not want to take Communion as there will be a Choir and lovely hymns to welcome in our 131st year! There will of course be refreshments afterwards of wine and nibbles.

The Village Festival is on Saturday 30th June this year, where, if I may remind everyone, the church will be running a tombola stall. If you would like to contribute items for this please pass on to Sylvia Lloyd (Woodlands), Joan Lord (Gainsborough Rd), Sandra Cobb (Pocklington), Christine Hasman (Spinney) or myself. Anything would be very much appreciated.



While we pray for anyone who is ill at this time I want to especially mention Stella Hopewell, who has recently been hospitalised having broken her hip. We hope her recovery is as swift as possible.

Tish Applewhite on behalf of Winthorpe PCC (643763)

Church Services for June



Sunday 3rd

(1st after Trinity)

9.00 am

Holy Communion

Holme

Sunday 10th

(2nd after Trinity)

10.30 am

Holy Communion

Winthorpe

Sunday 17th

(3rd after Trinity)

9.00 am

Morning Worship

Langford

10.15 am

Morning Worship

Winthorpe

4.00 pm

Hymns and Pimms

South Clifton

Tuesday 19th

7 pm

130 Years HC Service Winthorpe

Sunday 24th

(Birth of John
The Baptist)

9.00 am

Morning Worship

Langford

11 am

HC – Patronal Festival Collingham
St John's

The Church Bells may be rung for any of the Winthorpe services. The bells may be rung on Friday evenings between 7.00 and 9.00pm for practice. If you are able to ring or would like to learn how to ring please get in touch with the Tower Captain, Ian Hasman, on 01636 679105 or e-mail him at I.hasman@ntlworld.com



Church Cleaners – Mrs Jane White

Brasses – Mrs Taylor and Mrs Everson

South Clifton Church



JUNE CALENDAR

Sunday 3rd	Afternoon Church Walk Thorney to Harby Reach Off Road Cycle Event
Monday 4th	Green and Brown bins Lunch Club 12.30 Community Centre Mobile Library
Sunday 10th	Birthday of HRH Duke of Edinburgh 
Monday 11th	Silver Bin
Thursday 14th	WI Village Hall
Sunday 17th	 Official Celebration of Her Majesty's Birthday
Monday 18th	Green and Brown Bins
Thursday 21st	Parish Council AGM 7.30 pm Village Hall
20th/21st	Garden Club Outing
Saturday 23rd	Winfest The Lord Nelson
23/24th	Cockpit Fest and Aerojumble - Airfield
Monday 25th	Silver Bin
SATURDAY 30TH WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL	



NB BIN COLLECTIONS IN HOLME VILLAGE ON FRIDAYS

'Village organisations and local bodies – if at any time you would like to get in touch with a village contact, why not try the village website. 'www.winthorpe.org.uk